

[28 November 2001] RAJYA SABHA

Government which has to ensure development of reliable supply of power in all areas.

Cooperation of China in the power section

1160. SHRI K.M. SAIFULLAH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has sought China's cooperation in the power sector in cleaner technologies, equipment manufacturing and information on transmission and distribution network; and

(b) if so, the China's response in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) A delegation led by the Hon'ble Minister of Power had visited China in September, 2001. The delegation had discussions on wide ranging issues which aimed at understanding how China arranged for finances for its power sector, the tariff structures prevailing in the country, the steps being taken to build its transmission network including the national power grid, the measures adopted for rural electrification and for lowering T and D losses.

Liberalisation of policy for providing power to domestic industries

† 1161. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARD A: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are contemplating to liberalize the policy for providing power to the domestic industries;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any steps so far in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.